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SUMMARY

A Nike Apache rocket, NASA 14.111 GT, was fired from Wallops Island, Virginia on 31 October 1963 at 2117 Z with a special instrumented payload in order to obtain actual environmental data of a Nike Apache payload during launch and flight. The test was initiated by the Test and Evaluation Division of Goddard Space Flight Center, to obtain vibration, shock and thermal data during launch and flight. The Sounding Rocket Branch added instrumentation to obtain roll, yaw and pitch data, the determination of the stresses in the payload housing shell, and qualification test of a PPM telemetry unit. All test instrumentation functioned perfectly. This report summarizes the data obtained during launch and flight.

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INTRODUCTION

The Nike Apache is a two stage solid propellant, unguided, fin stabilized rocket. It is made up of a four finned Nike M5-E1 first stage and a four finned Apache TE 307 Mod II second stage. The Nike is ignited at launch and burns for 3.5 seconds, after which it drag separates from the second stage by differential drag forces. The Apache ignites 20 seconds after the first stage and burns for about six seconds. The Apache remains attached to the payload throughout the remainder of the ballistic flight. Figure 1 shows rocket 14.111 GT installed on the military launcher at Wallops Island, ready for firing. The individual weights, centers of gravity and dimensions of the rocket are shown on Figure 11.

Payload Instrumentation

The instrumentation was installed in a standardized Nike Capache payload housing, Type I, GCA dwg. 3038A4001. The payload housing consisted of an adapter ring, to attach the payload to the Apache motor headcap, an antenna section, with four turnstile antennas, an instrumentation rack, a payload shell, and a nose cone with a stainless steel nose tip. The nose tip was modified to accommodate a Giannini Controls Corporation Ogive Transducer No. 2519, see Fig. 12. A pair of quadraloop antennas were installed on the payload shell at approximately station 42. The following instrumentation was installed in the instrumentation rack and payload shell:

Thermocouples (3)	Copper - Constantan (TC1, TC2, TC3)
Thermistors (20)	Transonic - No. 1375B
Strain Gauges (6)	Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton-No. FAB 25-50-S13
Accelerometers (6)	Kistler-Model 303-M10-1
Accelerometers (6)	Endevco No. 221C
Pitch-Yaw Ogive (1)	Giannini – Model 2519
Magnetometers (4)	Heli Flex RAM-3

Altitude Switches Carmac Co. ES-4 series

"G" Switch Model 1654

FM/FM Telemetry (1) 231.4 Mc/s - 2 watts

FM/FM Telemetry (1) 240.2 Mc/s - 2 watts

PPM Telemetry (1) 244.3 Mc/s - 35 watts

The instrumentation installation is reported in ref. 6. The installation of the instrumentation in the rack is shown in Figures 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, and 10. The strain gages were calibrated by applying a load on the payload shell, as shown in Fig. 8. The location of the strain gages and thermistors is shown on Figures 25, 27, 28 and 29. The complete payload was balanced to obtain a residual unbalance of 2.0 ounce-inch static and 90.8 ounce-inch ² dynamic. The roll moment of inertia was 0.14 slug/ft.² and the transverse moment of inertia was 5.39 slug/ft.²

FLIGHT DATA

Rocket Data

NASA rocket 14.111 GT was fired from Wallops Island, Virginia in accordnace with GSFC Flight Plan (appendix (A)), Wallops Test Directive (appendix (B)), Wallops Flight Safety Plan (appendix (C)) and Wallops Ground Safety Plan (appendix (D)). The results of the flight were reported in NASA Report of Sounding Rocket Launching (appendix (E)) and NASA Sounding Rocket Post Flight Summary (appendix (F)).

The Nike fins were set at an angle of 25 minutes to obtain a roll rate of 2 RPS clockwise looking forward. Wedges were added to the trailing edges of the four Apache fins to obtain a roll rate of 5 RPS clockwise looking forward, at the estimated velocity at Apache burnout. The wedges were attached to the trailing edges of all four Apache fins, and the height of the wedges, .201 inches was determined in accordance with (appendix G). The actual alignment of the Apache fins is shown on ARC Inspection Report (appendix H).

PERFORMANCE

The performance of the rocket motors was satisfactory. However, the peak altitude was approximately 9% below predicted, possibly caused by the high coning angle after 40 seconds of flight. The rocket roll rate was not satisfactory.

The roll rate reduced to near 2.0 RPS after hitting a peak of 7 RPS at Apache ignition. A reduction in roll rate has been observed on other Nike Apache flights but the minimum is generally not as low as observed on this flight. A comparison of the actual performance of the rocket with the estimated performance is tabulated below:

	Estimated	Actual
Booster Burnout		
Time	3.5 sec.	3.5 sec.
Altitude	5,399 ft.	5,339 ft.
Velocity	3,195 ft./sec.	3,195 ft./sec.
Apache Ignition		
Time	20 sec	21.95 sec.
Altitude	39,506 ft.	40,967 ft.
Velocity	1,511 ft./sec.	1,382 ft./sec.
Apache Burnout		
Time	26.4 sec.	28.95 sec.
Altitude	61,576 ft.	64,154 ft.
Velocity	5,659 ft./sec.	5,801 ft./sec.
Apogee		
Time	191.2 sec.	185.12 sec.
Altitude	90.7 st. mi.	83.3 st. mi.
Impact		
Time	374.4 sec.	361.5 sec.
Range	84.4 n. ni.	73.1 n. mi.

The actual performance curves obtained from radar and telemetry data are plotted on Figures 13 through 17. The Wallops Island final status report is in appendix I, their range instrumentation log is in appendix J, and the weather forecast is in appendix K.

RESULTS

Instrumentation

The instrumentation and the three telemetry systems functioned perfectly throughout the flight. An occasional signal dropout of the PPM telemetry is attributed to the large coning angle of the rocket after 40 seconds, however, good useable data were obtained. The large coning angle and possible roll-pitch coupling introduced loads on the payload-motor shell combination which was theoretically in excess of the design loads. The structure, however, showed no signs of distress during the complete trajectory.

Acceleration and Vibration

The acceleration and vibration data were reduced and analyzed by the Test and Evaluation Division and are reported in ref. 5. This report concludes that high level transient vibrations occurred at ignition of first and second stage motors with low levels between these events and that the spectral analysis of the data revealed significant levels at frequencies below 1000 cps. The maximum longitudinal steady state acceleration of the vehicle was 36.7 g during first stage burning, and 36.5 g during second stage burning. The resonant frequency was 135 cps at lift-off. The level of this resonance was 36 g peak at the bottom of the payload and 42 g peak at the top. All vibratory levels were transient in nature and decayed to insignificant levels in 0.2 seconds.

STRAIN GAGES

Instrumentation

The payload cylinder and the antenna housing were instrumented with strain gages, as shown in Fig. 25. Each instrument location consisted of four SR4 500 ohm strain gages arranged in the configuration shown in Fig. 25(c). These four gages were wired to act as the four legs of a wheatstone bridge, Fig. 26(d). This configuration gives good temperature compensation and an output signal equal to 2 $(1 + \mu)$ times the output of a single active gage.

During the calibration tests, the payload was cantilevered horizontally from the test stand and loaded in the axial and lateral directions to simulate the strains expected in the payload, see Fig. 8. Of the several calibration tests conducted, only the last test proved to be any value. A ratio of stress voltage of 4,830 psi/volt was obtained by averaging the slopes of the plotted curves from all the runs made. The accuracy of this value is estimated to be about 50 percent.

Flight Test Results

Output signals indicating strain were recorded from gages S1, S2, and S4. Gage S6 gave no indication of strain. The traces of gages S1, S2 and S4 show the same general pattern. This pattern was also noted in the trace of the lateral acceleration and in the plot of the angle of attack, see Fig. 26. A plot of $\alpha \cos \theta$ is also included in Fig. 26, where α is the angle of attack and θ is the angle between the axis through the gages and the angle of attack.

An oscillation of approximately 7 cps appears in the traces during the first two seconds. The spin rate during this time interval is between one and two revolutions per second. Maximum strain was indicated at about 3.65 seconds, followed by a dampening oscillation of approximately 7.5 cps. The maximum output signal was about .8 volts, which corresponds to a stress level of about 3,900 PSI, but in general, the output signal did not get over .2 volts during the remainder of the flight. This low signal resulted in poor accuracy in reading the traces. Tension is indicated in all gages during the initial two seconds, which is contrary to what was expected. The strains then became compressive after about 2.5 seconds. No reason was found to suspect a zero shift in the voltage.

Due to the low accuracy of the calibration tests and the measured strains, only a rough estimate of the maximum strain level in the payload can be made. The maximum strains do not appear to have been greater than half the yield strength of the material of the housing. An apparent similarity exists in the traces of the strain gage outputs, the lateral accelerometers, and the angle of attack. Future flight tests with improved instrumentation would be helpful in determining the exact strain levels.

TEMPERATURE

Twenty thermistors, Transonic No. 1375 B, were installed in the payload housing shell and instrumentation rack in order to obtain actual temperature profiles during rocket flight. The locations of the thermistors in the payload are shown in Figure 27. Curves of the reduced temperature data vs. time obtained from telemetry records are shown on Figure 30 for the outside and inside skin temperature of the payload housing and nose cone. The temperatures at Nike burnout and Apache burning are shown on Figures 28 and 29. An increase in temperature of 75° was observed in the vicinity of the quadraloop antennas at Nike burnout and during Apache burning. The inside skin thermistors did not indicate this increase in temperature, as shown in Figure 31.

The temperatures measured on the top deck were below 75°F during Nike and Apache burning, and were only 90°F during the entire flight. The bottom deck and deck No. 5 temperatures were about 80° during Nike and Apache burning. The bottom deck temperatures increased to 177°F at T + 150 seconds and stabilized at that temperature for the remainder of the flight. The temperatures on deck No. 5 increased to 92°F maximum at T + 150 seconds.

It is unfortunate that the thermistor, T14, malfunctioned at T + 3 seconds. The temperatures at this point were of particular interest since it is in high stress region of the payload housing shell. However, the measured temperatures did not exceed the computed temperatures, except near the quadraloop antennas, at station 45 of the payload. The design bending moment at this station is less than 20,000 inch pounds and the shell is designed for a bending moment of 55,800 inch pounds at station 75. The margin of safety at station 45 with a temperature of 280°F is adequate.

AERODYNAMIC LOADING

The trajectory characteristics up to T + 31 seconds are shown on Figure 20 as obtained from radar velocity and altitude measurements. The rocket weight history is shown on Figure 18. The moments of inertia of the payload in pitch and roll were measured after the payload was balanced. The total moments of inertia of the payload and the Apache motor are shown on Figure 19. The center of gravity of the payload and the Apache and Nike motors were measured at Wallops Island, this C. G. history vs. time up to T + 30 seconds is shown on Figure 19. The center of pressure locations along the Apache and payload were obtained from the Nike Apache Performance Handbook, Reference 1. The C. P. history to T + 30 seconds is shown on Figure 19. The axial force and bending moment histories at Sta. 75 are shown on Figure 21 and were obtained by combining the aerodynamic characteristics from reference 2 and the trajectory characteristics of Figure 20.

ROCKET ROLL HISTORY

The rocket roll rate vs. time is shown in Figure 22. The roll rate at Nike burnout was near the predicted 2 rps. The roll rate increased to a peak of 7 rps at Apache ignition, then dropped to 2 rps just prior to burnout. On most Nike Apache flights the roll rate is normally observed to increase again at this point and level off at 5 to 6 rps. On this flight, however, the minimum was low enough to cause pitch-roll coupling shortly after 26 seconds. The roll rate then continued to decrease as would be expected if it were in a locked-in condition. The increase in roll rate again near forty seconds, accompanied by an increase in coning angle may be attributed to breaking out of the locked-in condition.

PITCH AND YAW HISTORY

The pitch and yaw angles of the rocket during flight are shown on Figure 23. The attitude of the rocket was normal through Apache burnout. The rocket developed a large coning angle, 20° half angle, at approximately 41 seconds. This large coning angle continued to 63 seconds, when the recording stopped. The complex angle of attack, α , is shown on Figure 24.

The static stability of the rocket and payload should have been adequate to assure a stable flight. The C. G. was closest to the center of pressure at Apache burnout, 3.4 calibers forward. (See Fig. 19). The distance between the C. G. and C. P. increased after Apache burnout, thus increasing the stability. The large coning angle appears to have been caused by pitch roll coupling of the rocket near burnout of the second stage.

CONCLUSION

The flight of rocket 14.111 GT gave excellent shock, vibration, temperature and rocket performance data. The data obtained from the strain gages did not give any information which could be used for future design purposes. The measured angle of attack of the nose cone at Nike burnout was 4°, the design angle of attack for the standardized payload housing is 8°. The maximum stress level indicated by the strain gages was only 3900 psi which is considerably below the design level of 15,000 psi at Sta. 75.

The shock and vibration data obtained from the flight of 14.111 GT provided the required parameters for the specification test of Apache payloads. The temperature data obtained will be useful for design purposes of Apache payloads. Additional tests would be desirable to obtain actual structural loads and to investigate the roll rate and excessive coning problems of the Apache motor and payload.

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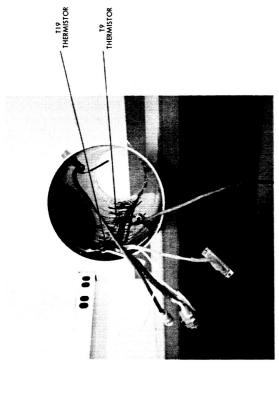
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Figure 1—Rocket on Military Launcher

Figure 2-Payload Details



THERMOCOUPLE

THERMISTOR

Figure 5-Payload Housing —Thermistors

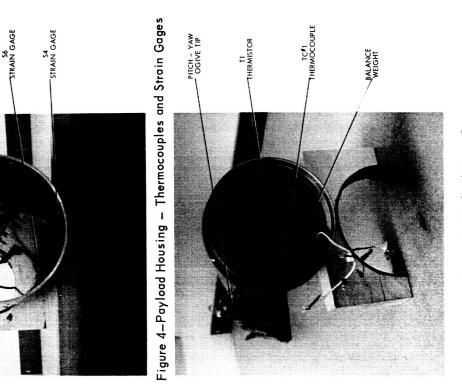


Figure 6—Payload Nose Cone



X2 VIBRATION ACCELEROMETER

Figure 8—Calibration of Strain Gages

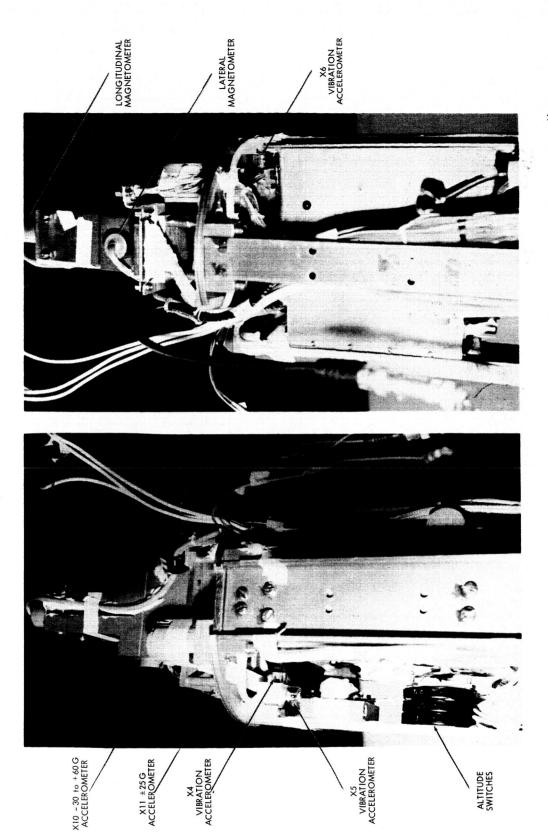
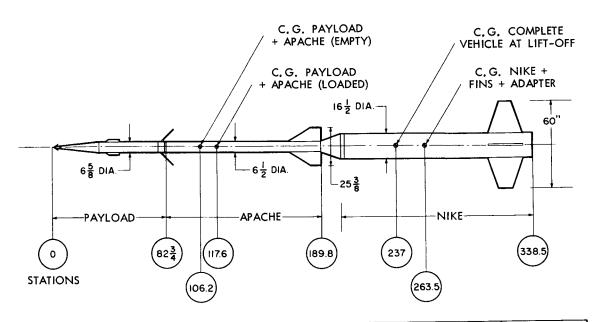


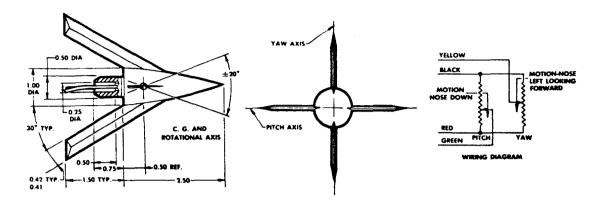
Figure 9.–Payload – Accelerometer Installation

Figure 10—Payload — Accelerometer Installation



	WEIGHT LBS	C.G. FROM STA O	MOMENT
PAYLOAD - ACTUAL WT	77.0	52.32	4029
APACHE MOTOR	60.0	142.74	8564
PROPELLANT	131.0	131.74	17258
APACHE FIN ASS'Y	26.0	181.94	4730
TOTAL AT APACHE IGNITION - ACTUAL WT & C.G.	294.0	117.62	34581
TOTAL AT APACHE BURNOUT	163.0	106.2	17323
NIKE MOTOR + FINS + ADAPTER - ACTUAL WT	1319.66	263.5	347730
TOTAL WEIGHT AT LIFT-OFF	1613.66	<u>237.0</u>	382312

Figure 11-Rocket Weight and C. G. Tabulation



OUTPUT

RANGE: See Table RESISTANCE: See Table

RESOLUTION: ±0.2° angular variation will produce

a change in output

NATURAL FREQUENCY: 30 to 170 cps for Mach

numbers between 1.6 and 2.9

LINEARITY: See Table

FRICTION: Torque required to move the head with a longitudinal load of 1 pound on the bearings will not

exceed 0.15 ounce-inches REPEATABILITY: ±0.2° CROSSTALK: ±0.2°

INPUT

POWER RATING: 0.1 w

ENVIRONMENT

TEMPERATURE: 4.5 C to 121 C; range can be extended to $-65\,$ C and 260 C

ALTITUDE: Sea level to 60,000 ft

VIBRATION: Meets performance requirements during

0.02-in. peak-to-peak vibrations at 8 to 55 cps

ACCELERATION: 40 g

STRUCTURE

STOPS: Mechanical stops limit travel to ± 20° $(-0.0^{\circ} + 2.0^{\circ})$ angular displacement; electrical continuity is maintained throughout mechanical limits

INSULATION RESISTANCE: 10 megohms min at

500 v dc

WEIGHT: 0.19 lb max

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TYPE	PITCH AND YAW RANGE OLGSIESI	TOTAL RESISTANCE HOMMS!	LINEARITY % FULL RANGE
40/40 - 20/20	±20.0 to ±22.0	2000 +300	1.0
30/30 - 15/15	±15.0 to ±16.3	1500+75	1.0
20/20 - 20/20	±10.0 to ±11.3	2000 +300	2.0
20/20 - 10/10	±10.0 to ±11.3	1000 +150	2.0
15/15 - 7.5/7.5	±7.5 to ±8.8	750 +110	2.0
10/10 - 20/20	±5.0 to ±6.0	2000 +200	2.0
10/10 - 5/5	±5.0 to ±6.0	500 +25	2.0

Figure 12-Giannini Ogive Transducer Data Sheet

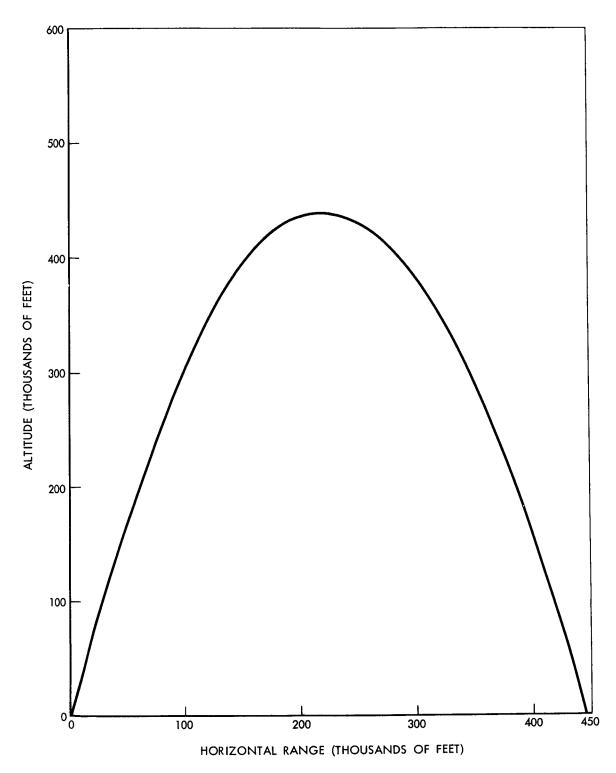


Figure 13-Actual Performance Curve - Altitude vs. Range

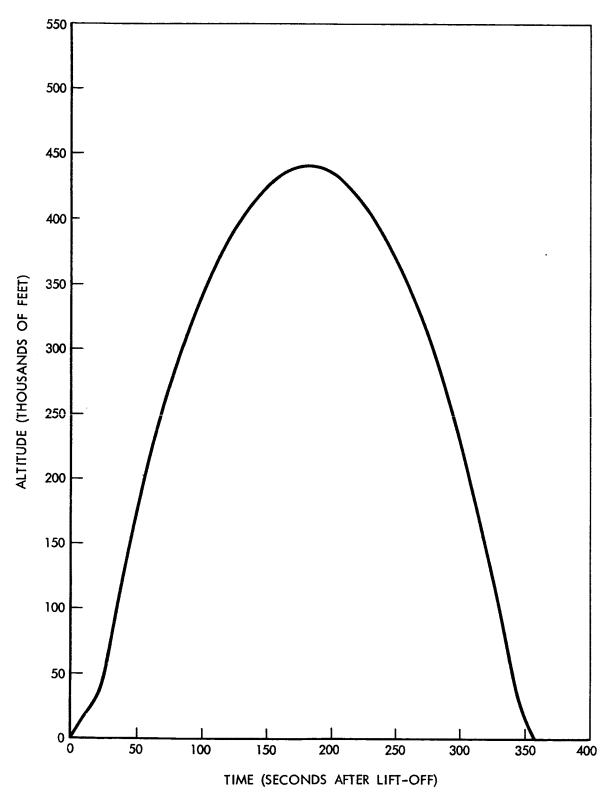


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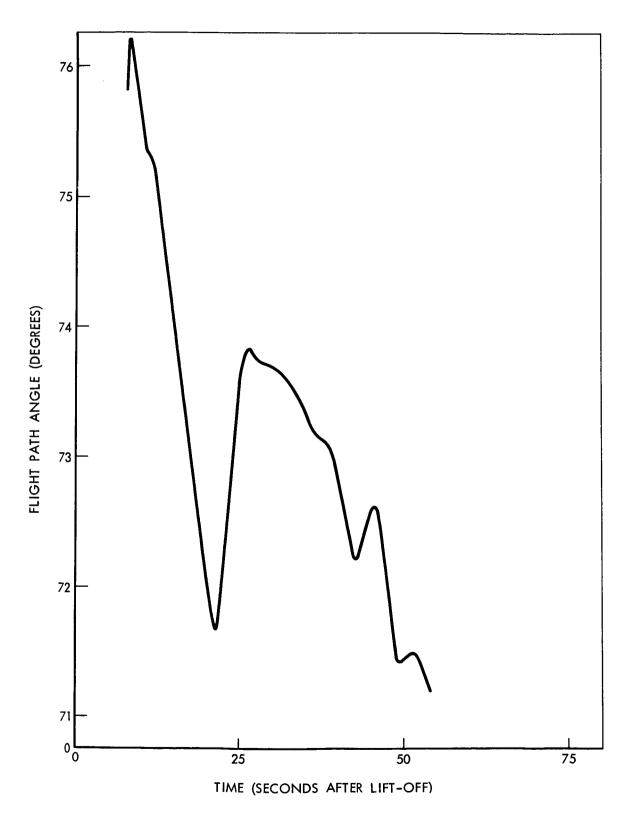


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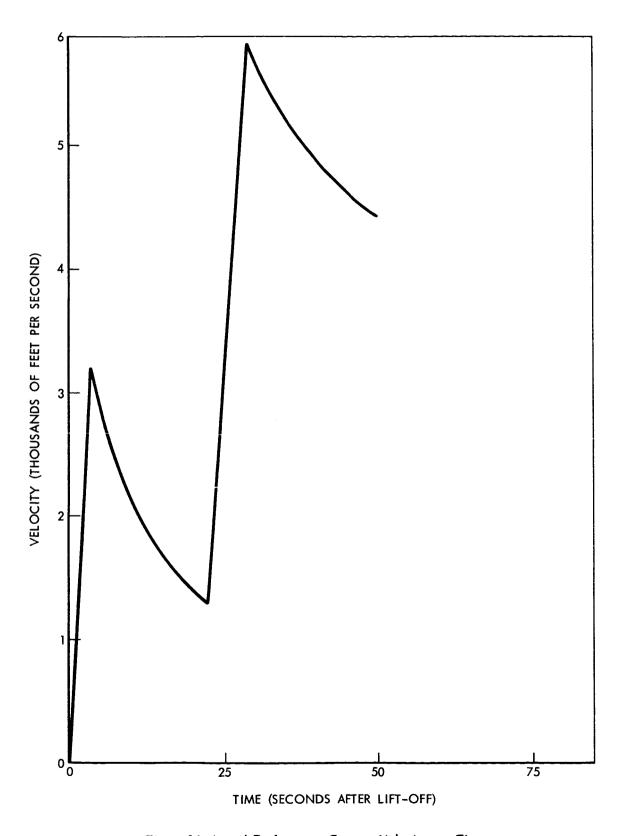


Figure 16-Actual Performance Curve - Velocity vs. Time

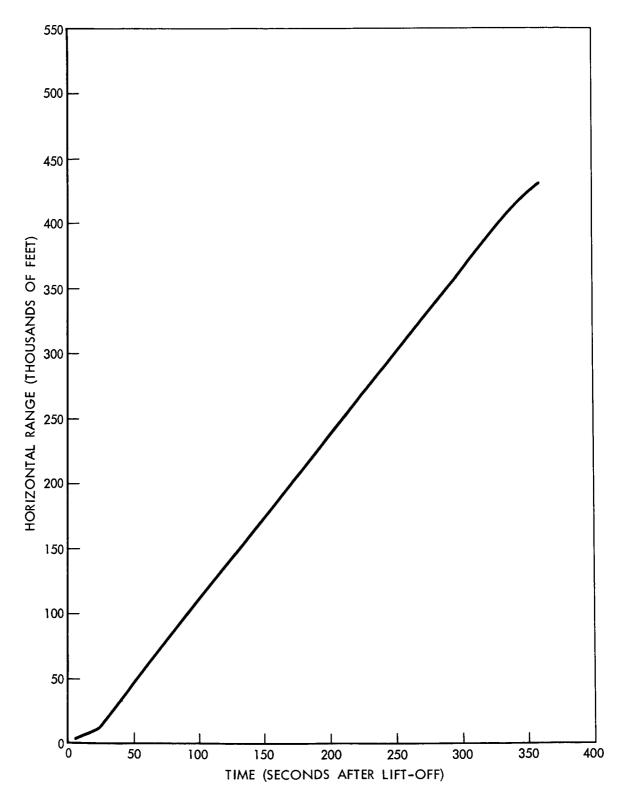


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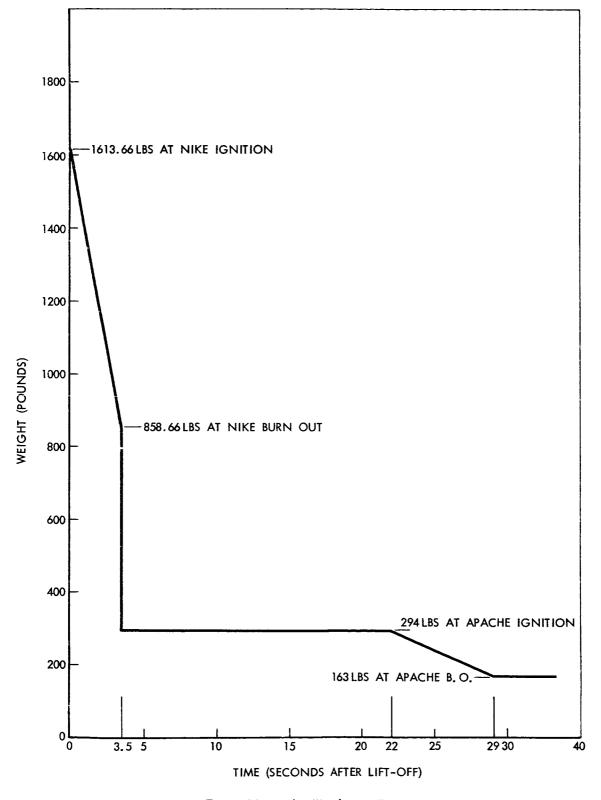


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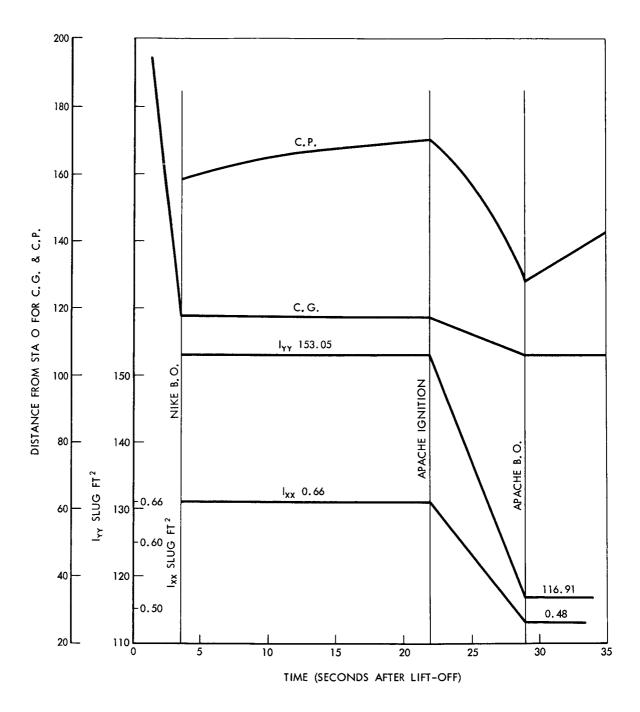


Figure 19–Apache and Payload, C. G., C. P., l_{yy} and l_{xx} vs. Time

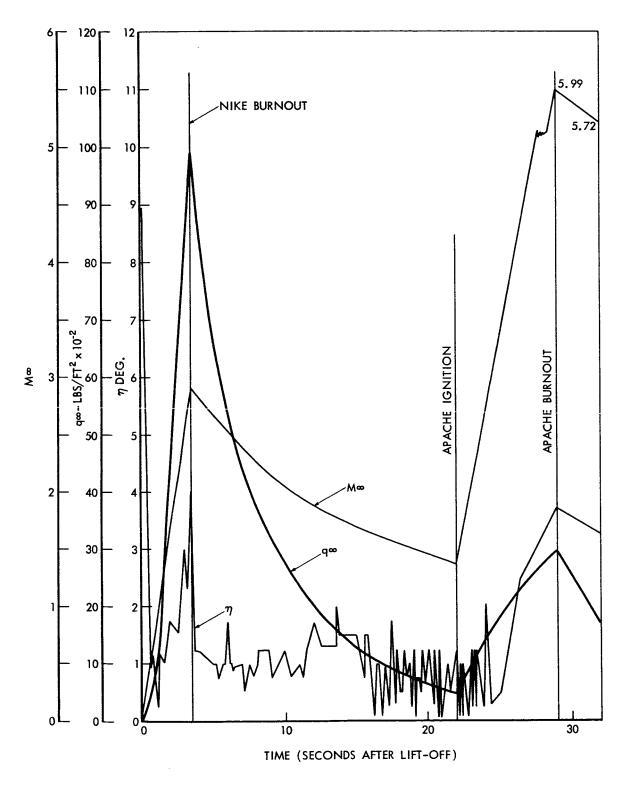


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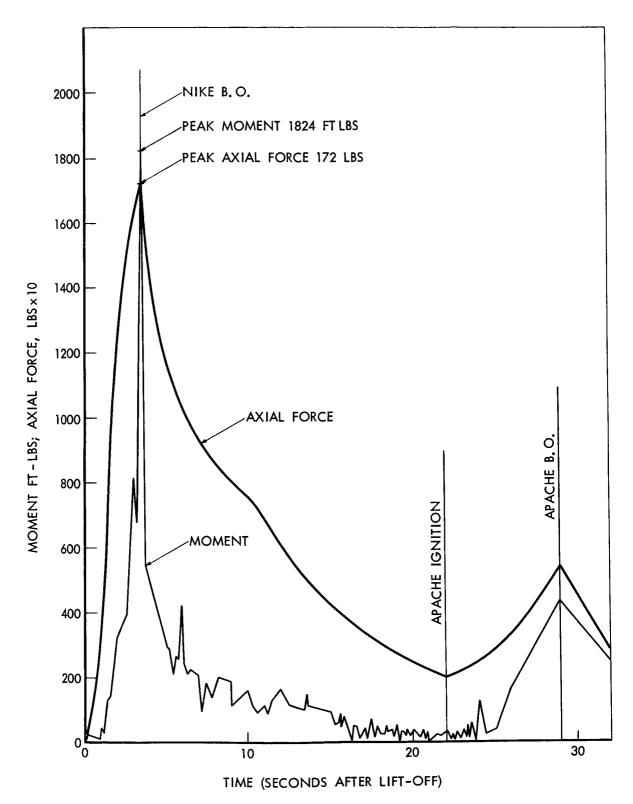


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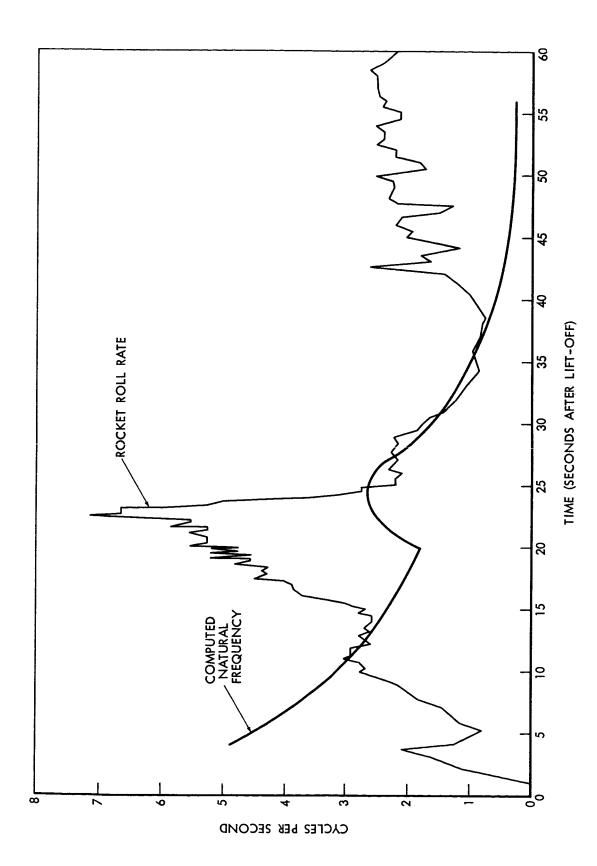
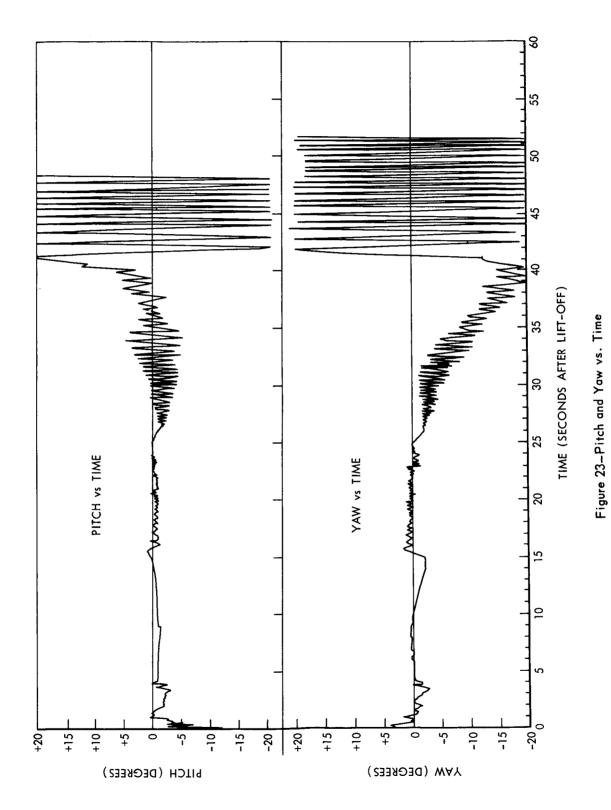


Figure 22-Rocket Spin Rate



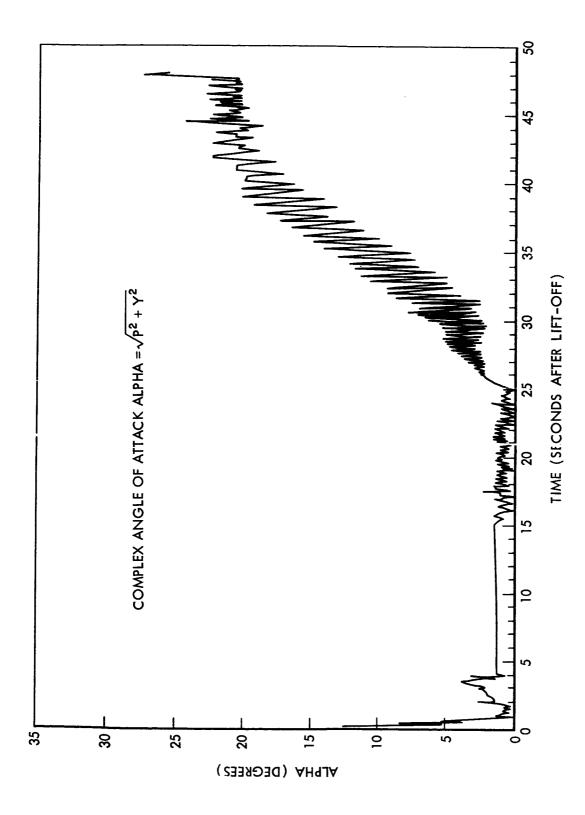


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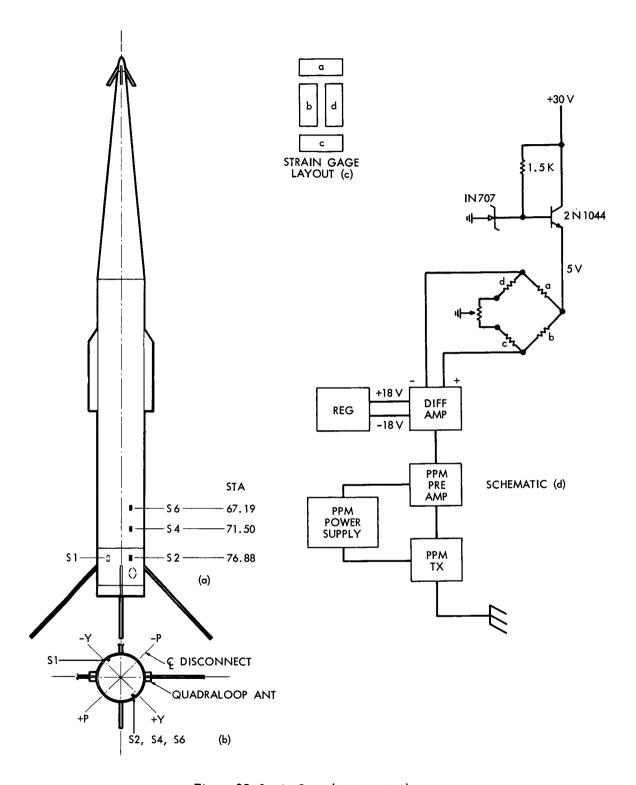


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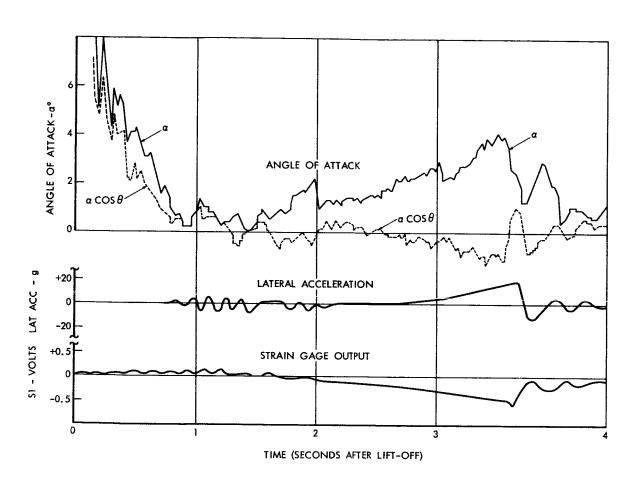


Figure 26-Strain Gage Output Traces

Figure 27—Thermistor Locations

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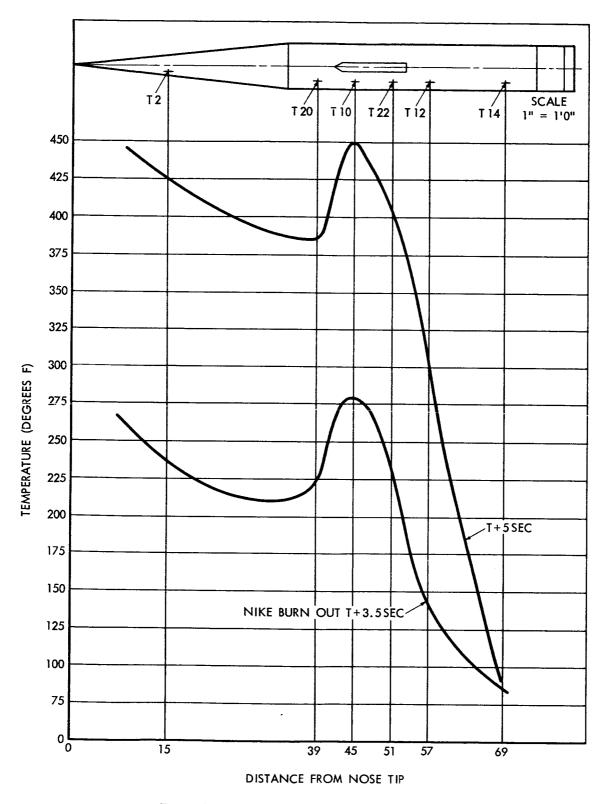


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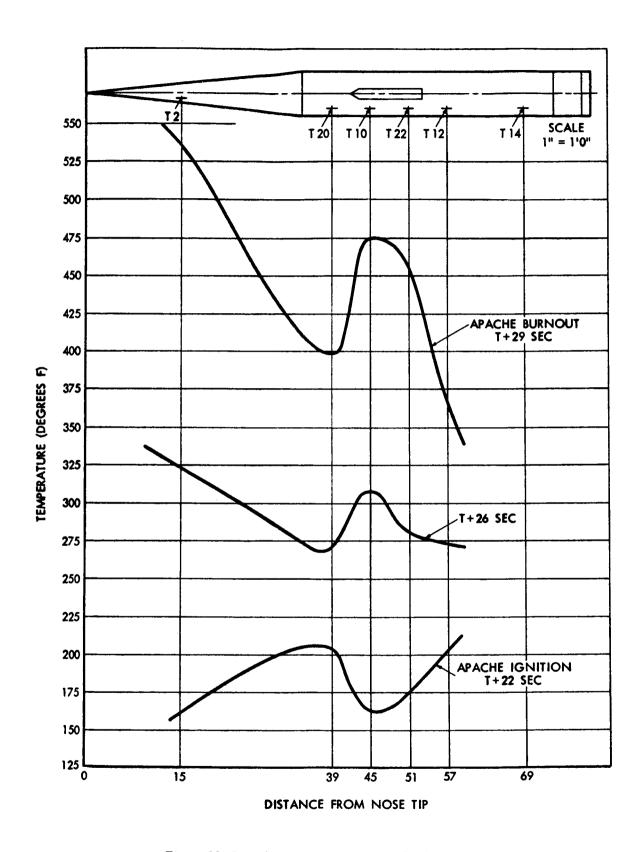


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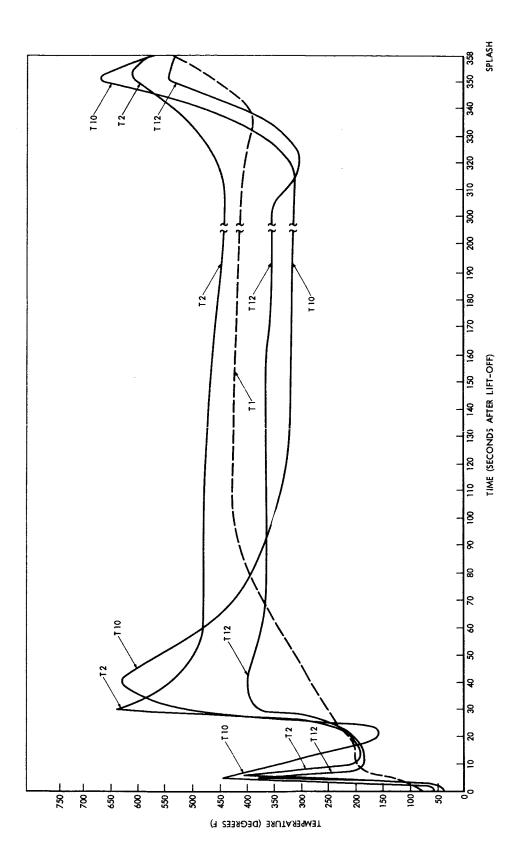


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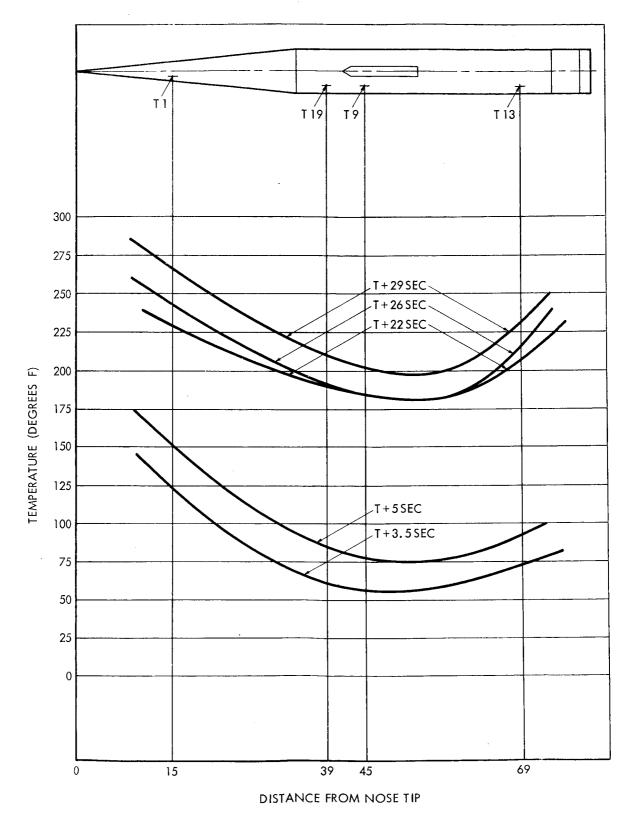


Figure 31—Inside Skin Temperature vs. Payload Station

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APPENDIX A

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May 2, 1963

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Dear Mr. Krieger:

Enclosed are copies of the Flight Plan for NASA Nike Apache 14.111 GT for your information.

The Goddard Space Flight Center Project Scientist will be Mr. Lloyd Williams and Mr. R. W. Shapard will be the Goddard Space Flight Center Vehicle Manager.

Sincerely,

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FLIGHT PLAN

NIKE APACHE ROCKET NASA 14.111 GT

SECTION I - GENERAL OPERATIONS

A. Firing Plan

Date

28 May 1963

Alternate Date

29-30 May 1963

Time

1900 Z

Time Span

1900 - 2400 Z

B. Flight Objectives

- 1. The primary objective of this flight is to define the vibration environment imposed on the payload during launch and flight.
- 2. The secondary objective is to define the thermal environment and structural integrity of the payload housing during launch and flight.
- 3. Additional instrumentation is being flown for determining the flight characteristics of the vehicle.
- 4. This flight will also provide for a qualification test flight of the PPM telemetry system, prior to use on scientific missions aboard high performance vehicles.

C. Flight Information

With an 80 pound payload, 11° nose cone with a pitch yaw ogive tip, four rigid turnstile antennae whiskers, and two quadraloop antennae, the rocket will theoretically be capable of attaining an altitude of 97.7 statute miles (157.2 Km.) if fired at an 80° elevation angle from Wallops Island, Virginia.

SECTION II - ROCKET INFORMATION

A. Rocket

The rocket will be a standard GSFC Nike Apache vehicle with 20 sec. delay head inserted Apache igniter.

B. Performance

Vehicle performance based on an 80 pound payload and an $80^{\rm O}$ launch angle is estimated to be as follows:

Booster ignition time
Booster burnout time
Booster burnout altitude

0 sec.

3.5 sec.

5278 ft.

Booster burnout velocity 3159.8 ft./sec.
Booster burnout horizontal range 1131 ft.
Booster burnout flight path angle 77.60

Apache ignition time 20 sec.

Apache ignition altitude 39,005 ft.

Apache ignition velocity 1487.3 ft./sec.

Apache ignition horizontal range 9296 ft.

Apache ignition flight path angle 740

Apache burnout time 26.4 sec.

Apache burnout altitude 61,434 ft.

Apache burnout velocity 5929 ft./sec.

Apache burnout horizontal range 16,016 ft.

Apache burnout flight path angle 72.90

Peak Time 197.9 sec.
Peak Altitude 97.7 st. mi.
Peak Altitude horizontal range 54.2 st. mi.
Impact time 387 sec.
Impace range 108.8 st. mi.

C. Recovery is not required

D. Weights and Dimensions

1. Weights

Nike Apache launch weight total 1614.5 lb. Payload weight 80 lb. Apache burnout weight 166.5 lb.

2. Rocket Dimensions

Payload length 82 inches
Apache length 107 inches
Second stage 189 inches
Nike stage length 151 inches
Total length 340 inches
Apache body diameter 6.5 inches

E. Modifications

- 1. Four standard GSFC Turnstile Antenna Whips and two quadraloop antennae will be used for telemetry transmission from launch to impact.
- 2. A pitch yaw ogive nose tip will be flown to determine angle of attack data.
- 3. The Apache fins will be fitted with spin tabs to achieve a five (5) RPS spin rate.

F. Installations

- 1. Pitch yaw ogive
- 2. Accelerometers (6 high frequency 6 low frequency)
- 3. Strain gauges (6)
- 4. Thermistors (20)
- 5. Thermocouples (3)
- 6. Quadraloop antennae
- 7. PPM Telemetry system
- 8. FM/FM Telemetry systems (2)
- 9. Magnetometer
- G. Pyrotechnic Installations

None - The payload is designed to remain intact throughout the flight.

SECTION III - EXPERIMENT AND INSTRUMENTATION

The rocket will carry instrumentation to measure mechanical and thermal stresses on the payload and payload housing. There will also be instrumentation aboard for determining vehicle attitude.

SECTION IV - FIRING RANGE

A. Radio Frequencies

FM/FM 231.4 Mc/s - 2 Watts, FM/FM 240.2 Mc/s - 2 Watts, and PPM 244.3 Mc/s - 35 Watts.

B. Range Safety

Normal for Nike Appche firings.

- C. Ground Station Support
- 1. Operation of NASA Wallops Island telemetry ground station and GSFC telemetry ground station located in the Aerobee Blockhouse, and stations "A" and "C" for PPM telemetry will be required for this flight.
- 2. Complete recording of the receiver video on ½ inch direct recorded magnetic tape with servo control on 17 Kc/s and 100 Kc/s tape speed compensation will be required for this flight. One magnetic tape record shall be sent to Mr. Lloyd Williams, Code 321, and one copy to Mr. R. W. Shapard, Code 671.4.
- 3. It is requested that complete recording by direct recording oscillograph be made of discriminated subcarrier data on both FM/FM telemetry systems.

These records are to be made at a speed of 10 inches per second until apogee and at one inch per second from apogee to splash.

D. Ionosonde

No requirement.

E. Radar Beacon

None.

F. Meteorological Support

Standard meteorological support as required for launch of this vehicle will be conducted and evaluated by Wallops Island personnel.

G. Ballistic Data

Operation of all available tracking equipment for trajectory data is required. FPS-16, Spandar and MIT radar tracking are particularly desirable. Six copies each of tabulated and reduced trajectory data are to be forwarded to Code 671.4, Goddard Space Flight Center. Distribution to Project Scientist will be made from that office.

H. In-Flight Data

The following information should be provided to the Project Scientist immediately after the flight:

- 1. Absolute time of take-off.
- 2. Preliminary radar trajectory plot.
- 3. Second stage ignition time, alt., and velocity.
- 4. Second stage burnout time, alt., and velocity.
- 5. Peak time.
- 6. Peak altitude.
- 7. Impact time, range, and azimuth.

I. Communications

No special requirements.

SECTION V - PHYSICAL RECOVERY

None

SECTION VI - FACILITIES AND SERVICES

A. The following services and facilities will be needed during rocket preparation and firing operation:

1. Range instrumentation as described in SECTION IV.

- 2. Meteoroligical support as described in SECTION IV is required.
- 3. Rocket preparation, fin alignment, weight and C.G., igniter installation and firing, individual stage weight, C.G., location, and length are to be measured. It is requested that weight, C.G. location, and length be determined from these measurements for the total vehicle before launch and for ignition and burnout of the second stage.
- 4. Laboratory Space Use of 200 sq. ft. of assembly and laboratory space in one of the bays adjacent to the Small Scale Shop is required.
- 5. Photographs The normal requirement for movies and stills for flight information and documentation will be required. At least three copies each of all stills are required by the Project Scientist.
 - 6. Messing Facilities

No requirement.

- 7. Nike and Apache motor numbers are to be supplied to the scientific personnel.
 - 8. Facilities to charge flight batteries are required.
- 9. Machine shop facilities will be required to fabricate spin tabs in accordance with drawing Cl394 with an "A" dimension of 0.201 inches.

SECTION VII - PERSONNEL

The following personnel will be present:

Name	Organization	Function
Lloyd Williams	GSFC	Project Scientist
James Nagy	GSFC	Vibration Engineer
Richard Erdman	GSFC	Technician
J. S. O'Brien	GSFC	Mechanical Engineer
John Kite	GSFC	Technician
John Cameron	GSFC	Instrumentation Engineer
R. W. Conrad	GSFC	Telemetry Engineer
Don Tackett	GSFC	Instrumentation Engineer
Ray Stattel	GSFC	Telemetry Engineer
Paul Velgos	GSFC	Telemetry Engineer
R. W. Shapard	GSFC	Vehicle Manager

SECTION VIII - SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS

23 May 1963	Equipment and personnel arrive at Wallops Island
24 May 1963	Instrumentation check
27 May 1963	Horizontal check
28 May 1963	Fire rocket

SECTION IX - TELEMETERING ALLOCATION

The telemeter channel allocations are as follows:

FM/FM #1 (240.2 Mc/s)

IRIG Band Number	<u>Stimulus</u>
E	Vibration Accelerometer #1
С	Vibration Accelerometer #2
Α	Vibration Accelerometer #3
13	High Temperature (0-1000 ⁰ F)
12	Low Accelerometer $#1$ - Long. (-30g to +60g)
11	Low Accelerometer #2 - Lat. († 25g)
10	Thermocouple #1
9	Ogive - Yaw
	FM/FM #2 (231.4 Mc/s)
E	Vibration Accelerometer #4
С	Vibration Accelerometer #5
Α	Vibration Accelerometer #6
13	Voltage Monitor
12	Low Accelerometer #4 - Long. (-30g to +60g)
11	Low Accelerometer #3 - Lat. († 25g)
10	Low Accelerometer #5 - Lat. († 25g)

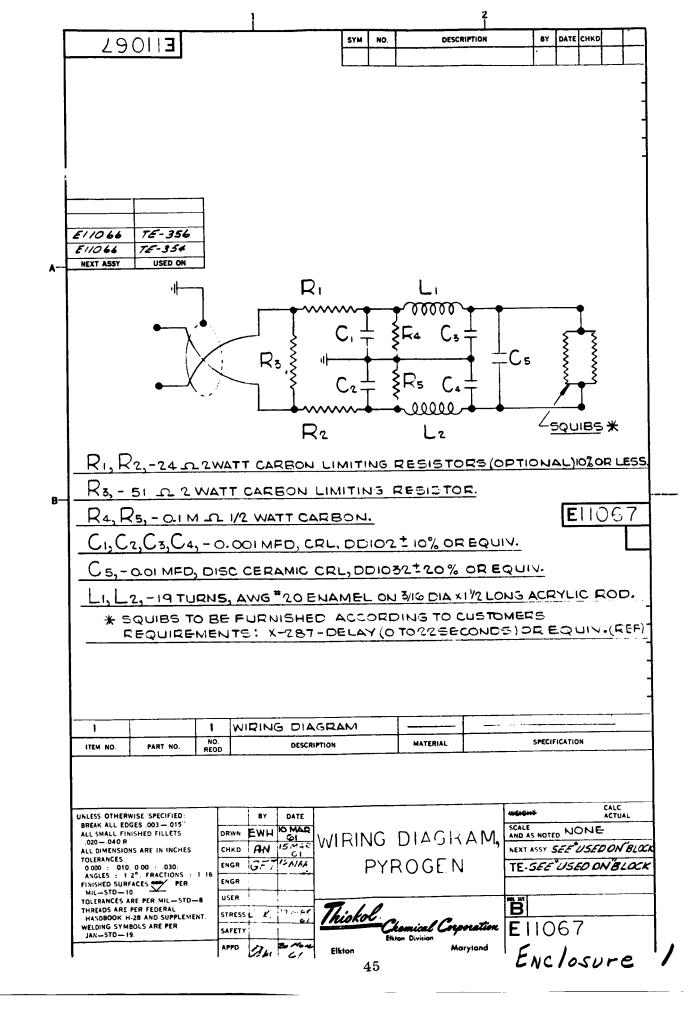
PPM (244.3 Mc/s)

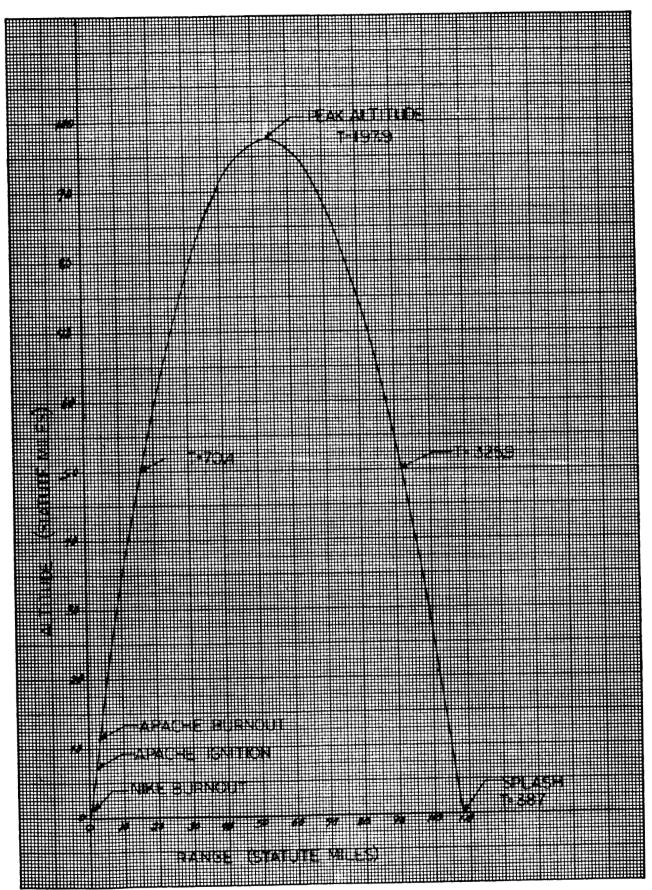
Channel Number	<u>Stimulus</u>
1	Thermocouple #1
2	Thermocouple #2
3	Thermocouple #3
4	Ogive - Pitch
5	Ogive - Yaw
6	Magnetometer - Lateral
7	Magnetometer - Longitudinal
8	Strain #1 († 1000 u "/")
9	Strain #2 (+ 1000 u "/")
10	Strain #3 (<u>†</u> 1000 u "/")
11	Strain #4 (± 1000 u "/")
12	Strain #5 (* 1000 u "/")
13	Strain #6 († 1000 u "/")
14	Low Temperature (0-500° F)
15	Voltage Monitor

SECTION X - WIRING DIAGRAMS

The following drawings are attached:

Enclosure 1 - Nike Apache Ignition Circuit. Enclosure 2 - Altitude vs. Range Curve. A complete wiring diagram may be obtained from Mr. E. E. Bissell, Goddard Space Flight Center, Code 671.3.





Enclosure 2

APPENDIX B

TEST DIRECTIVE

for

WALLOPS MODEL	G2=1281
Goddard Model Nike-A	pache 14.111 GT
PRIMARY LAUNCH TIME	1800Z, October 29, 1963
ALTERNATE LAUNCH TIME	1800Z, October 30, 1963,
	October 31, or November 1, 1963
BADGE NO.	9
TEST DIRECTOR	MR. ROBERT T. LONG
RANGE SAFETY OFFICER	MR. ROBERT L. DELUCIA
ASSISTANT TEST DIRECTOR	MR. RALPH D. WELSH, JR.
WALLOPS PROJECT ENGINEER	MR. RALPH D. WELSH, JR.
	MR. R. W. SHAPARD
GODDARD PROJECT SCIENTIST	MR. LLOYD WILLIAMS
	SUBMITTED:
	Rolph D. Welsh, b.
	Ralph D. Welsh, Jr. Project Engineer
William L. Lord William L. Lord Head, Sounding & Aerodynamic Rocket Pr Robert T. Duffy Head, Program Management & Liaison Bra John C. Palmer Chief, Flight Test Division	•

A. GENERAL INFORMATION:

- 1. The primary objective of this flight is to define the vibration environment imposed on a Nike-Apache payload during launch and flight. The secondary objective is to define the thermal environment and structural integrity of the payload housing during launch and flight. Additional instrumentation is being flown for determining the flight characteristics of the Nike-Apache vehicle. This flight will also provide for a qualification test of the PPM telemetry system, prior to use on scientific missions aboard high-performance vehicles.
- 2. With a 80-pound payload, this rocket is theoretically capable of attaining an altitude of 79 nautical miles if fired at an effective elevation angle of 80°.

B. COUNTDOWN.

"T"-MINUS Hr-Min-Sec	ITEM	OPERATION
AT-PITT-Sec	- 	
03-30-00	1	Launch corner-reflector type balloon and track to 65,000 ft.
03-00-00	2 .	Time Count.
02-30-00	3	Vehicle is completely staged and mounted on launcher. (This includes payload installation and lanyard attachments.)
02-10-00	4	Clear launch area for payload instrumentation checks. (240.2, 244.3 &231.4 MC) Vehicle in horizontal position. (See note 8)
	5	Payload external power "ON". (Goddard and Wallops T/M Stations acknowledge signal.)
	6	Payload control send calibrate.
02-05-00	7	Payload internal power "ON". (Acknowledge signal.)
	8	Payload external power "ON".
02-00-00	9	Payload power "OFF". (Payload control announce and verify payload "GO".)
	10	Surveillance aircraft on Station: Frequencies: Primary
01-40-00	11	Release radiosonde to maximum altitude.
01-30-00	12	Begin releasing theodolites on 15 minute schedule.
01-15-00	13	Photographers take documentary stills.
01-00-00	14	Release chaff-type balloon and track to 6,000 ft.
	15	Clear launch area for payload instrumentation checks.(240.2, 244.3 & 231.4 MC) Vehicle in vertical position.(See note 8)
	16	Payload external power "ON". (Goddard and Wallops T/M Stations acknowledge signal.)
j	17	Payload control send calibrate.
00-55-00	18	Payload internal power "ON". (Acknowledge signal.)
00-50-00	19	Payload external power "ON".
	20	Payload power "OFF".

NTKE-APACHE COUNTDOWN

"T"-MINUS Hr-Min-Sec	ITEM	OPERATION
00-45-00	21	Begin releasing theodolites on 5-minute schedule.
00-35-00	22	Fire standard 2.75-inch test rocket with flare.
00-30-00	23	Payload (231.4 and 240.2 MC) external power "ON". (Goddard and Wallops T/M Stations acknowledge signal.) Payload will radiate continuously beyond this point.
00-25-00	24	Begin final launcher settings.
00-20-00	25	Time Count.
00–1 <i>5</i> –00	26	Time Count.
00–10–00	27	Final launcher settings complete.
00-09-00	28	Time Count.
00-08-00	29	Time Count.
00-07-00	30	Time Count.
00-06-00	31	Time Count.
09-05-00	32	Clear area for launching and make station checks: (Acknowledge) Radar 1 Blockhouse No. 2 Radar 2 Payload Control Radar 3 Goddard Telemetry Station Radar 4 Wallops Telemetry Station Camera 1 Launch Supervisor Camera 2 Range Clearance Camera 9 Range Control Center
/``	33	Establish road blocks. (Island gas station and Aerobee tower
	34	Payload (244.3 MC) external power "ON".
00-04-00	35	Payload (240.2, 244.3 & 231.4 MC) internal power "ON". (Acknowledge signal.)
00-03-30	36	Telemeter tape recorders "ON"; paper recorders "ON" fast.
00-03-20	37	Payload control send calibrate. (Goddard Station A verify.)
00-03-00	38	Goddard T/M engineer verify payload is "GO".

"T"-PLUS HR-Min-Sec	ITEM	OPERATION
00-03-00 (cont'd)	39	Telemeter tape recorders "OFF"; paper recorders "ON" slow.
00-02-00	40	Pull payload umbilical.
00-01-00	41	Time Count.
CC-00-35	42	Telemeter tape recorders "ON"; paper recorders "ON" fast.
00-00-30	43	Hold until pad clear if necessary.
00-00-20	44	Time Count.
00-00-10	45	Time Count.
60-60-09	46	Time Count.
00-00-08	47	Time Count.
00-00-07	48	Time Count.
09-08-06	49	Time Count.
CQ-00-05	50	Time Count.
QD-00-04	51	Time Count.
00-00-03	52	Time Count.
00-00-02	53	Time Count.
00-00-01.5	54.	Bomb tone ON.
00-00-01	55	Time Count.
00-00-00	56	Bomb tone OFF.
	57	First stage (NIKE) fires. Second stage ignition delay squib (20 seconds) fired via Maypole circuit.
"T"-PLUS Hr-Min-Sec		
00-00-01	58	Time Count.
00-00-02	59	Time Count.

NIKE-APACHE COUNTDOWN

"T"-PLUS Hr-Min-Sec	ITEM	OPERATION
00-00-03	60	First stage (NIKE) burns out (3.5 seconds) and drag separates.
00-00-04	61	Time Count.
00-00-05	62	Time Count.
00-00-10	63	Time Count.
00-00-15	64	Time Count.
00-00-20	65	Second Stage (APACHE) fires (delay squib).
00-00-21	66	Time Count.
00-00-22	67	Time Count.
00-00-23	68	Time Count.
00-00-24	69	Time Count.
00-00-25	70	Time Count.
00-00-26	71	Second Stage (APACHE) burns out. (26.4 seconds)
00-00-30	72	Time Count.
00-00-40	73	Time Count.
00-00-50	74	Time Count.
00-01-00	75	Time Count.
00-01-30	76	Time Count.
00-02-00	77	Time Count.
00-02-30	78	Time Count.
00-03-00	79	Time Count.
00-03-10	80	Apogee (3 minutes 11 seconds) 79 N. M.
00-03-20	81	Time Count.
00-03-30	82	Time Count.

"T"-PLUS Hr-Min=Sec	ITEM	OPERATION
00-04-00	83	Time Count.
00-04-30	84	Time Count.
00-05-00	85	Time Count.
00-05-30	86	Time Count.
03-06-00	87	Time Count.
00-06-10	88	Impact (6 minutes 14 seconds) 84 N. M.
00-06-20	89	Release radiosonde to maximum altitude.

C. NOTES.

1. The military launcher, in Launch Area No. 2, will be utilized for launching this vehicle.

Effective	firing Azimuth	1150
Effective	Elevation Angle	80°

2. Vehicle impact distances are as follows:

First Stage	 3 N.	M.
Second Stage	 84 N.	M.

3. Vehicle performance based on a 80-pound payload, 80-degree launch angle, 11-degree nose cone with a pitch yaw ogive tip, four rigid turnstile antenna whiskers, and two quadraloop antenna is as follows:

Event	Time (Sec)	Altitude (feet)	Horizontal Range (ft.)	Velocity (ft/sec)	Flight Path Angle
Nike					
burnout	3.5	<i>533</i> 9	1140	3195.5	77.75
Apache Ignition	00		0000 (4 5 4 4	G 4 3
Apache	20	39,506	9329.6	1511	74.3
burnout	26.4	61,576.5	15,813.7	5659.7	73.3
Apogee	191,2	479,000	254,200		
Impact	374.4	Ö	512,000		

4. The following frequencies will be radiated from the payload:

231.4 MC	FM/FM Telemeter	2 watts
240.2 MC	FM/FM Telemeter	
244.3 MC	PPM Telemeter	35 watts (peak)

Data which will be telemetered are from many types of sensors to measure vehicle performance. These include accelerometers, vibration accelerometers, strain gauges, temperature sensors, magnetometers, and a pitch yaw ogive nose tip to determine angle of attack data.

- 5. The Nike fins on this model are canted at 25 minutes to give a 2 rps (CW) roll rate at Nike burnout. The Apache fins will have a .201-inch wedge attached to the fin trailing edge of all four fins to give the second stage and payload a 5 to 5.5 rps roll rate at Apache burnout.
- 6. Bomb tone will be transmitted on 3105 KC AM for the purpose of time synchronization.
- 7. In case of misfire: KEEP LAUNCHING AREA CLEAR AND ALL PERSONNEL REMAIN UNDER COVER UNTIL "ALL CLEAR" IS GIVEN FROM RCC.
- 8. During horizontal and vertical instrumentation checks, all three frequencies will be switched simultaneously.

APPENDIX C

FLIGHT SAFETY PLAN

VEHICLE NIKE-APACHE	
WALLOPS MODEL NOG2-1281	
RANGE USER'S NO. 14.111	
LAUNCH DATE	
LAUNCH AREA No. 1	LAUNCHER <u>Military Launcher</u>
LAUNCH: ELEVATION 800	AZIMUTH 115°
IMPACT AND OVERFLIGHT CRITERIA: VIOLATE	DNOT VIOLATEDX
LAUNCH SAFETY REQUIREMENTS TESTED UNDE	R "INHERENTLY SAFE FLIGHT", VOLUMEIV, WALLOPS
STATION HANDBOOK ARE: SATISFIED X	_NOT SATISFIED
REASONS FOR NOT BEING SATISFIED ARE	
FLIGHT TERMINATION SYSTEM: YES	_нох
	MANUAL X
LIMITATIONS	
WINDS: BALLISTIC 35 Tps	SURFACE 30 fps
SETTINGS: ELEVATION +3°: -6°	AZIMUTH + 250 but not less than 770
VÁCAPES AREA CLEARED 6A, 13, 14 AB	SURVEILLANCE SPS-12; airborne
ASS'T RANGE SAFETY OFFICERMr. Jan	mes Atkinson
PROJECT ENGINEER Mr. Ral	Lph Welsh
	SUBMITTED: FOR THE SECOND AND FLIGHT SAFETY SECTION
APPROVED:	REVIEWED:
LOYD C. PARKER	Robert J. Duffy ROBERT T. DUFFY HEAD, PROGRAM MANAGEMENT AND LIAISON BRANCH
Magnen W. Min Googen	

1st. 3rd. 2nd. St. **4**. PAYLOAD VEHICLE ___NIKE-APACHE REMARKS: STAGE GN. B.O. GN. 1 sigma cross-range 1 sigma range IGN. **B**.0. IGN. B.O. B.O. 8.0. GN. 78 lbs. DISPERSION Sec. 8 0.0 4.83 TIME 3.5 5 0 ft./sec. 5960 1510 3195 0 STAGE ≤ Degrees YE 511 Ġ ထွ 74.1 77.7 73.1 3 80.0 91 0 <u>유</u> 유 62,076 39,480 ALTITUDE 5338 LAUNCH AZIMUTH ___115°. ft. LAUNCH ELEVATION O 7 F APOGEE: 16,107 RANGE ft. 9380 1142 80 Altitude: 86.2 NM Time : 199 sec. Range : 47.6 0 _ DATE __July 10, 1963 95.4 NM 3 MM RANGE IMPACT sec. 디 390 TIME

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APPENDIX D

GROUND SAFETY PLAN

FOR

WALLOPS MODEL _	<u>05-1581</u>
NIKE-APACHE 1	4.111
PRIMARY LAUNCH TIME 1900Z on J	une 26, 1963
ALTERNATE LAUNCH TIME	
RANGE SAFETY OFFICER	MR. ROBERT I. DELLICTA
ASSISTANT RANGE SAFETY OFFICER	•
TEST DIRECTOR	
ASSISTANT TEST DIRECTOR	
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GROUND SAFETY PLAN

GENERAL

LAUNCH VEHICLE	NIKE-APACHE
WALLOPS MODEL _	G2-1281
RANGE USER MODE	L 14.111
LAUNCH AREA	No. 1 LAUNCHER Military
PRIMARY MISSION	To define the vibration environment imposed on the payload, the
thermal environ	ment and structural integrity of the payload during launch and
	rmine the flight characteristics of the vehicle, and to provide est flight of the PPM telemetry system.

YEHICLE DATA

MAIN MOTORS AND IGNITERS

STAGE	MOTOR Type	IGNITER TYPE	SQUIB DELAY	SQUIB ACTUATOR
1	Nike	M24	O sec.	Programmed Ground-firing Circuit
ASSISTS				
2	Apache	Standard Apache	20 вес.	Sustainer Circuit
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IGNITER SQUIB CHARACTERISTICS

IGNITER	SQUIB ARRAY	NOMINAL SQUIB RESISTANCE	MINIMUM SURE FIRE CURRENT	MAXIMUM NO FIRE CURRENT	RECOMMENDED FIRING CURRENT
M24	2 parallel sets of 2	0.75-1.25 ohm	0.55 amps	0.25 amps	2 amps
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Standard Apac		·			,
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PYROTECHNICS AND OTHER HAZARDOUS INSTALLATIONS

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PRIMARY PAYLOAD: None		
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EHICLE RADIO FREQUENCY TRA	ANSMITTERS:	
TYPE	FREQUENCY	POWER RATING
FM/FM Transmitter	231.4 MC	2 watts
FM/FM Transmitter	240.2 MC	2 watts
PPM Transmitter	244.3 MC	35 watts (peak)
FFM 110M10VC2	E77.) (W	
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CIRCUIT REVIEW

THE LAUNCHING OF ALL VEHICLES FROM WALLOPS STATION IS SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF IGNITER AND PYROTECHNIC WIRING DIAGRAMS. THESE CIRCUITS ARE REVIEWED BY THE RANGE SAFETY SECTION WITH CONSIDERATION TO ESTABLISHED SAFETY CRITERIA.

THE	STATUS OF THE WIRING DIAGRAMS FOR THE ABOVE DESIGNATED VEHICLE(S)
IS A	AS FOLLOWS:
X	APPROVED
	APPROVED WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES OR REQUIREMENTS:

PAD SAFETY

	9				
PAD SUPERVISOR	Roy Hindle				
ALTERNATE PAD SUPERVI	RVISOR _Jack Hurdle				
PRELAUNCH DANGER ARE	ALaunch Area No. 1				
	A circle described about the Military Launcher 30 feet.				
	EA: See "Launch Area Operations and Personnel Restrictions" below.				
LAUNCH DANGER AREA:	All personnel in this area must be inside a re- inforced concrete structure between "T" -5 minutes and that time after launch designated by the Pad				
	Supervisor.				

LAUNCH AREA OPERATIONS AND PERSONNEL RESTRICTIONS

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF ALL MAJOR LAUNCH AREA OPERATIONS, THE PERFORMANCE LOCATION OF EACH, AND THE STATUS OF THE PRELAUNCH DANGER AREA FOR EACH OPERATION.

DURING CAUTION TIMES, ALL ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL POSSESSING THE PROPER BADGE WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE PRELAUNCH DANGER AREA. DURING A DANGER

TIME I, ONLY ACTIVE ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL POSSESSING THE PROPER BADGE AND WHOSEXHAMESXAPPEARXENXAXISEX SUPPLIED X TO VOTE X PAGE TIME II, NO PERSONNEL WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE PRELAUNCH DANGER AREA. DURING A DANGER TIME II, NO

OPERATION .	PERFORMANCE LOCATION	PRELAUNCH DANGER AREA STATUS		
Delivery of rocket motors to launch area		Caution Time		
Staging & Wiring	Launch Area No. 1	Caution Time		
All power switching & instrumentation checks	Elockhouse No. 1	Danger Time II		
All launcher settings	Launch Area No. 1	Danger Time I		
Manually Disconnect Umbilical	Launch Area No. 1	Danger Time I		
Lau nch	Launch Area No. 1	Danger Time II		

ETAIL	ED PAD SA	FETY REQUIRE	MENTS AND	PROCEDURES			
POWER	SWITCHING	LIMITATIONS:	Reference:	Volume IV, Preparation Safety		page 190, STATION H	
PECIAI	L TEST AN	D/OR MONITORI	NG REQUIREM	IENTS: None			
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ANGFI	PROCEDURE RE PROCEDURE	RE: Reference	ce: Volume Misfire Safety	IV, Section	II, page 19 re", WALLOPS	4, "Launch STATION H	Abort,
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OTHER PAD SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS	In the payload umbilical will be manually
disconnected at "T" -1 minute.	
LAND IMPACT CONVOY: Reference:	Volume IV, Section II, page 195, "Land Impact
	Procedures:, WALLOPS STATION HANDBOOK-Safety

APPENDIX E NASA

REPORT OF SOUNDING ROCKET LAUNCHING

Vehicle No.2

Rocket Type:

Launching Site:

Coordinates:

NASA 14,111 GT

Nike Apache

Wallops Island, Virginia

Lnt : 37° 50° N Long : 75° 29' W

Wallops No. 8 G2-1281

NASA Project Scientist(s): Mr. Lloyd Williams . Code 321

GSFC, Greenbeit, Namyland

Experimenter(x) and Location: Mr. Lloyd Williams - Code 321 GSFC, Greenbelt, Maryland

OBJECTIVES AND INSTRUMENTATION!

1. Define vibration environment imposed on payload during launch and flight.

2. Define thermal environment and structural integrity of psyload housing during launch and flight.

3. Qualification test of PPM telemeter aboard high performance schicle-

KEMARKS:

Launching Date:

Time:

Peak Altitude: 134-15 Km *

31 October 1963

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(83 3 st mi)

kocket Performance: Satisfactory - 12 Km. below predicted.

Instrumentation Performance: Excellent

PRELIMINARY EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS:

A cursory inspection of records indicates that good data were obtained on this firing. This data will be used in establishing Test and Evaluation Test Parameters for future Nike Apache flights.

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

*Based on plot board date

Prepared 1 November 1963

APPENDIX F NASA

SOUNDING ROCKET

POST FLIGHT SUMMARY

IDENTIFICATION:

NASA 14,111 GT

Engine/Motor Numbers: Wallops Model Number: ist Stage 44063, 2nd Stage BP-15-613-2

Rocket Type:

G2-1281

Number of Stages:

Hike Apache

Place of Firing:

Wallops Island, Virginia

Date of Firing: Time of Firing:

31 October 1963

Instrumenting Agencies:

2117 Z NASA-GSFC

Instrumenting Agency Chief Scientist:

Mr. Lloyd Williams - Code 321 Mr. Lloyd Williams - Code 321

NASA Project Scientist: NASA Rocket Vehicle Manager:

Mr. C. M. Handricks - Code 671.4

Wallops Island Project Engineer:

Mr. Ralph Welsh

BRIEF OF FLIGHT OBJECTIVES:

- (1) To define the vibration environment imposed on the payload during launch and flight.
- (2) To define the thermal environment and structural integrity of the payload housing during launch and flight.
- (3) Provide a qualification test of the PPM Telemeter aboard a high performance vehicle.

FLIGHT INFORMATION*

	Predicted**	Obser	<u>red</u>
Peak Altitude	90.74 st. mi.		st. mi,
Peak Time	191.2 sac.		2 sec.
Ignition Data	Time (sec.)	Altitude (ft.)	Velocity (ft./sec.)
Stage 1	0	0	0
Stage 2	21.95	40,967	1,382
Burnout Data	Time (sec.)	Altitude (ft.)	Velocity (ft./sec.)
Stage 1 Est.	3.5	5,339	3,195.5
Stage 2	26.95	64,154	5,801
Impact Data	Time (sec.)	Range	Azimuth (deg.)
Stage 1	NA	NA	NA
Stage 2	361.5	73.1	112.95
Launcher Setting		Actual	Effective
Azimuth from tr		102°	115°
Elevation above		77°	80°

ROCKET INFORMATION

	Weight (1bs.)	C.G. (in.)	C.G. Reference	Length (in.)
Stage 1	1319.66	75	NEP	151
Stage 2	217.8	50.125	NEP	107.875
Stage 2				
(+ payload)	294	72.25	NEP	189.875
Payload	77	28	Aft End	82
Total	1613,66			340,875

ROCKET BORNE EQUIPMENT USED

Upper Air Instrumentation · Pitch-yaw ogive, Magnetometers, Accelerometers, Strain gages, Thermocouples, Thermistors, and Altitude switches.

Telemetry Instrumentation - FM/FM 244.3 Mc/s, FM/FM 240.2 Mc/s @ 2 Watts. PPM 231.4 Mc/s @ 35 Watt peak

GROUND BASED EQUIPMENT USED

Telemetry Instrumentation - wallops Island Main Base Ground Station, Aerobee Block-house Ground Station, and Stations "A" and "C" for PPM

Tracking Instrumentation - FPS-16 and SPANDAR

PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Rocket Performance - Satisfactory, with apogee being 7.4 miles below predicted.

The spin rate profile exhibits a pronounced spin down at Apacha ignition, and a 40 degree coning angle (i.e. 20 degree half angle) at T +41 seconds.

Telemetry - All three telemetry systems functioned perfectly. The signal dropout of PFM is attributed to wehicle attitude (40 degree coming angle).

Tracking Instrumentation - The FPS-16 and Spandar tracked the vehicle from +5.75 seconds to +361.12 seconds.

Upper Air Instrumentation - All scientific instrumentation on board functioned normally during the entire flight.

Total Experiment - Successful. Date we in process of being reduced.

Prepared 5 February 1964

^{*} Source: FPS-16 and SPANDAR,

^{**} Prediction based on flight weight - not estimated weight.

APPENDIX G

CAJUN-APACHE ROLL RATE

By Reed B. Jenkins Code 616.2

NASA Goddard Space Flight Center

It is recommended that all Cajun and Apache rocket vehicles used as second stages in the Nike-Cajun and Nike-Apache configurations be rolled by the addition of <u>fin</u> wedges to a rate of at least 5 cycles per second at burn-out of the second stage. This roll rate is necessary to insure maximum performance and minimum coning motion in space. In the event that good attitude in space is not desired or the nature of the scientific instrumentation is such that a 5 cps roll is impractical, it is recommended that a roll rate of as close to zero as possible be planned. It is strongly suggested that second stage burn-out roll rates between 1 and 4 cps be avoided.

The reasons behind the suggested roll rates are based on the dynamic response of the vehicle due to pitch-roll resonance. The best flights are obtained by rolling the vehicle at a high rate so that pitch-roll resonance is passed while the rolling moment due to fin cant (the result of spin tabs) is high as compared with induced rolling moment encountered at high angles of attack during pitch-roll resonance. The use of high roll rates reduces the possibility of pitch-roll lock-in which usually results in very large coning angles, a flat spin, or even catastrophic failure. In the event high (5 cps) roll rate cannot be tolerated every

attempt should be made to keep the roll rate as low as possible. The reason for this is to delay pitch-roll resonance until the dynamic pressure is as low as possible and thus eliminate the possibility of catastrophic failure. It should be noted that, in this case, the attitude of the vehicle in space will normally be relatively poor.

Rolling at 2-3 cps will usually result in pitch-roll resonance during burning of the second stage and about at the time of maximum second stage dynamic pressure. Such a condition can affect performance and may even result in structural failure of the vehicle in the event of marginal fin or payload designs.

To control roll during Cajun or Apache flights, NASA uses the fin wedge technique. With this method it is a simple process to make adjustments in the field. If the entire fins were to be canted, it would be necessary to mill canted fin slots in the fin assembly shroud during manufacture and it would be impossible to make field adjustments. Use of wedges allows adjustment for any desired roll rate in the field.

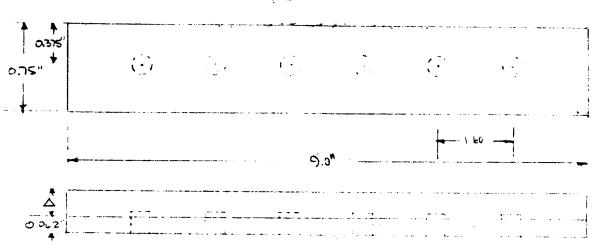
Figure 1 shows the dimensions of the wedges commonly used on NASA vehicles. The thickness of the trailing edge of the wedge above the surface of the fin, delta (Δ), is variable dependent upon the desired roll rate. Figure 2 gives the dimensions for delta (Δ) for various roll rates as a function of burnout velocity of the second stage where wedges are used on 2 fins only (180° apart).

In the event it is desired to install wedges on all four fins (as is now NASA practice), the dimension of delta (Δ) given in figure 2 should be reduced by one half. For example, if on a vehicle having a burnout velocity of 6500 fps, we desired a roll rate at burnout of 5 cps, the delta (Δ) thickness of the wedge would be 0.252 inches if wedges were to be installed on two opposite fins. If wedges were to be installed on all four fins, a Δ of 0.126 inches would be used.

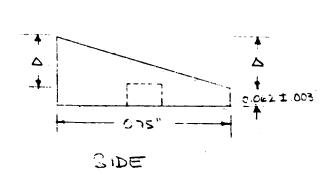
It should be noticed that the delta (Δ) thickness is that over and above the portion of the wedge that is recessed into the fin panel. The wedge is recessed to improve air flow over the wedge and to prevent thermal errosion of the wedge leading edge.

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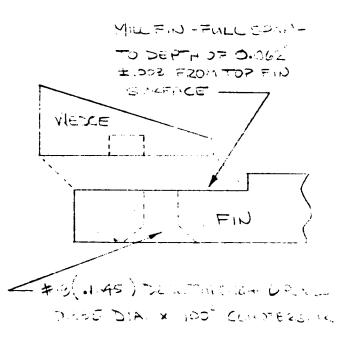




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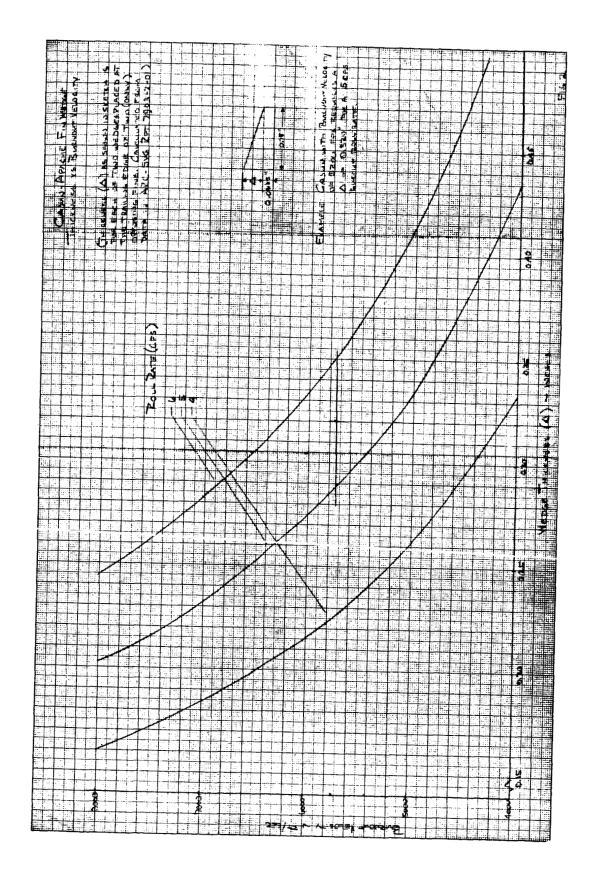


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APPENDIX H

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APPENDIX I

FINAL STATUS REPORT: December 18, 1963

PROJECT: Wallops Model G2-1281 (Goddard Model Nike-Apache 14.111 GT)

WALLOPS PROJECT ENGINEER: Mr. Ralph D. Welsh, Jr.

STATUS: On October 31, 1963, at 2117Z, Wallops Model G2-1281 (Goddard Model Nike-Apache 14.111 GT) was launched from the Military Launcher, Launch Area No. 2, this Station. The primary objective of this flight was to define the vibration environment imposed on a Nike-Apache payload during launch and flight. The secondary objective was to define the thermal environment and structural integrity of the payload housing during launch . and flight. Additional instrumentation was flown to determine the flight characteristics of the vehicle. This flight was also used as a qualification test of the PPM telemetry system, prior to use on scientific missions aboard high-performance vehicles. All flight objectives were satisfied; however, roll rate of this model was not as predicted. The Nike fins on this model were canted at 25 minutes to give a 2 rps (cw) roll rate at Nike burnout. The Apache fins had a .201-inch wedge attached to the fin trailing edge of all four fins to give the second stage and payload 5 to 5.5 rps roll rate at Apache burnout. The actual roll rate for the Apache motor was 5 to 6 rps prior to ignition; however, during Apache thrusting, the spin rate dropped to 2 rps. Since the pitch natural frequency is 2 to 3 rps at Apache burnout, the motor w/payload apparently experienced pitchroll coupling, causing a severe & detrimental coning angle. This condition caused the payload to experience a flight environment which cannot be considered typical.

All Wallops radars tracked this vehicle with good results. Following is a comparison between actual and predicted vehicle performance:

	PREDICTED	ACTUAL
Nike Burnout-		
time (+secs)	3.5	3.5
velocity (ft/sec)	3195	3154
roll rate (rps)	2	2
Apache Ignition-		
time (+ secs)	20	21.85
altitude (ft)	39,506	40,839
velocity (ft/sec)	1,511	1,352
roll rate (rps)	·	5.5
horizontal range (ft)	9,330	10,417
flight path angle (degrees)	74.3	71.69
flight azimuth (degrees)		112.2

	PREDICTED	ACTUAL
Apache burnout-		
time (+secs)	26.4	28.95
altitude (ft)	61,576.5	64,154
velocity (ft/sec)	5,660	5,801
roll rate (rps)	5.5	2
horizontal range (ft)	15,813.7	17,214
flight path angle (degrees)	73.3	73.72
flight azimuth (degrees)	115	112
Apogee-		
time (secs)	191.2	185.12
altitude (ft)	479,131.3	440,274
horizontal range (ft)	254,626.6	223,418
Impact-		
time (secs)	374.4	364.12
horizontal range (ft)	510,773.9	455,303 (113° Az)

Following are listed radar data:

SPANDAR

<u>Event</u>	Time(+secs)	Altitude(ft)	Horizontal Range(ft)
Acquisition	25	47,334	11,496
Apogee	185	440,274	223,418
Impact	364	0	455,303
<u>FPS-16</u>			
Acquisition	5	9,950	1,500
Lost track	150	411,423	165,501
MOD II			
Acquisition	5	9,950	1,500
Lost track	58	197,000	59,000
SCR-584			
Acquisition	4	6,850	1,000
Lost track	43	134,227	38,070

DOPPLER radar reported 20 seconds of good record. Wallops Main Base and Goddard Blockhouse No. 1 telemetry receiving stations reported good data for 361 seconds on 240.2 mc and 244.3 mc. Camera tracking stations nos. 1, 2, 3, and one fixed camera reported good results.

Launcher settings and flight path angles were as follows:

	Launcher <u>Settings</u>	Desired Flight Path	Actual Flight Path	
Azimuth	102 ⁰	115°	112° @ + 28.95 secs.	
Elevation	77 ⁰	80°	73.7° @ + 28.95 secs.	

Ballistic wind and direction: 21.8 fps from 247.10
Surface wind and direction (50-foot level): 17.6 ft/sec from 2200

Tower tilt effect used: 8.4 nautical miles/degree Unit wind effect used: 1.150 nautical miles/ft/sec

All flight records have been processed and forwarded to Goddard Space Flight Center personnel for further study.

Several attempts were made to launch Nike-Apache G2-1281/Goddard Model 14.111 prior to the October 31, 1963 firing date. These attempts and reasons for postponements are listed below:

First Event:

Set-up G2-1281 for 1800Z, October 29, 1963. The count was held at "T"-1 hour due to trouble with the FPS-16 radar. The shot was postponed at 2039Z due to winds and FPS-16 radar. Winds were varying 20 to 40 ft/sec on Met Tower (050° Azimuth).

Second Event:

Set-up G2-1281 for 1800Z, October 30, 1963. The shot was postponed at 1330Z due to winds.

Third Event:

Set-up G2-1281 for 2030Z, October 31, 1963. Vehicle was launched at 2117Z, October 31, 1963, after a short hold due to interference on 240.2 mc.

APPENDIX J

Range Instrumentation Branch Log for October 31, 1963

Weather: Clear most of the day; some overcast

Two standard 2-3/4-inch test rockets were launched at 1532Z and 1542Z from Launch Areas 1 and 2, respectively, to check Wallops instrumentation with unsatisfactory results due to failure of radars to track. Third and fourth test rockets were launched at 1613Z and 2046Z from Launch Areas 1 and 2, respectively, with satisfactory results.

AEROBEE 4.94 (G2-1413) was launched at 1650Z from Launch Area No. 1 for the NASA International Program as part of a joint venture between NASA and the Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales (CNES) of France to investigate the propagation of very low frequency electromagnetic waves in the ionosphere with satisfactory results. The FPS-16 radar went into automatic track at +8 seconds at 5,300 feet slant range, with apogee at +235 seconds at 605,000 feet altitude and 622,000 feet slant range, and dropped track after breakup at +427 seconds at 45,000 feet altitude and 275,000 feet slant range. The Mod II radar went into automatic track at +7 seconds at 4,300 feet slant range and lost track at +94 seconds at 330,000 feet altitude and 333,000 feet slant range. The SCR-584 radar went into automatic track of booster at +9 seconds at 4,300 feet slant range, with apogee at +17 seconds at 5,900 feet altitude and 6,000 feet slant range, and tracked to impact at +40 seconds at 2,700 feet slant range. The SPANDAR radar went into automatic track at +88 seconds at 295,000 feet altitude and 298,000 feet slant range, with apogee at +235 seconds at 605,000 feet altitude and 622,000 feet slant range, and dropped track after breakup at +427 seconds at 45,000 feet altitude and 275,000 feet slant range. The above data were taken from quick-look plotboards. The Doppler radar reported 22 seconds of good data. Fixed Telemeter Receiving Stations Nos. 1 and 2 reported good data on 256.2 MC for 419 seconds. Camera Tracking Stations Nos. 1, 2, 5, 9, and the fixed cameras reported good results.

NIKE-APACHE 14.111 (G2-1281) was launched at 2117Z from Launch Area No. 2 for the Goddard Space Flight Center to define the vibration environment imposed on a Nike-Apache payload during launch and flight with satisfactory results. The FPS-16 radar went into automatic track at +5 seconds at 10,000 feet slant range, lost track at +150 seconds at 421,000 feet altitude and 460,000 feet slant range, reacquired at +203 seconds at 433,000 feet altitude and 500,000 feet slant range, lost at +220 seconds at 412,000 feet altitude and 499,000 feet slant range, reacquired at +240 seconds at 390,000 feet altitude and 491,000 feet slant range, and lost track at +300 seconds at 235,000 feet altitude and 442,000

feet slant range. The Mod II radar went into automatic track at +5 seconds at 10,000 feet slant range and lost track at +58 seconds at 197,000 feet altitude and 206,000 feet slant range. The SCR-584 radar went into automatic track at +4 seconds at 6,900 feet slant range and lost track at +43 seconds at 135,400 feet altitude and 141,000 feet slant range. The SPANDAR radar went into automatic track at +25 seconds at 46,500 feet altitude and 48,500 feet slant range, lost track at +31 seconds at 76,000 feet altitude and 78,000 feet slant range, reacquired at +38 seconds at 110,000 feet altitude and 115,000 feet slant range, with apogee at +183 seconds at 440,000 feet altitude and 494,500 feet slant range, and tracked to impact at +360 seconds at 446,000 feet slant range. The above data were taken from quick-look plotboards. The Doppler radar reported 20 seconds of good data. Fixed Telemeter Receiving Stations Nos. 1 and 2 reported 361 seconds of good data on 240.2 and 244.3 MC. Camera Tracking Stations Nos. 1, 2, 3 and all except one (which reported negative results) of the fixed cameras reported good results.

Actual Observation taken at T-0 time on Wallops Island, Va., by U. S. Weather Bureau personnel for this firing:

NASA 14.111 GT WIFR G2-1281 Fired: 10-31-63/1617 EST (2117Z)

Weather: 0-Time Observation

Island Temperature: 58°F

Dew-Point Temperature: 25°F

Visibility: 10 miles

Barometric Pressure: 1016.2 millibars

Wind: Direction: 235° Velocity: 10 knots

Cloud Cover: High, thin, scattered clouds (Cirrus).

A few altocumulus clouds present (less than 0.1

sky covered).

Winds measured at "met" tower:

WIND

Level	Direction	Velocity
50'	220°	13 mph
100'	225°	15 mph
150'	235°	15 mph
2001	230°	17 mph
250'	220°	17 mph

INFORMATION FOR MR. J. A. STERHARDT, GSFC, RE NASA 14.111 GT WIFR G2-1281, FIRED, WIFR, 10-31-63/1617 EST APPENDIX K

ISSUED 1800Z 10/30/63 36-HOUR FORECAST · REFERENCE: NIKE-APACHE, NIKE-SMOKE, HASP & AEROBEE CONFIDENCE: 80% CHANCE OF VERIFYING FIRST HALF; 70% SECOND HALF

SYNOPTIC SITUATION.....HIGH PRESSURE CENTERED OVER ALABAMA WITH A RIDGE EXTENDING NORTHWARD TO THE GREAT LAKES WILL MOVE TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA COASTAL AREA BY WEDNESDAY MORNING AND OFF-SHORE BY WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

CLOUDINESS....

1800Z 2000 SCATTERED

2200Z CLEAR

11,00Z THURSDAY 2000 SCATTERED, HIGH SCATTERED
1900Z THURSDAY 2000 SCATTERED VARIABLE BROKEN, HIGH BROKEN

Olooz FRIDAY 10000-15000 SCATTERED HIGH BROKEN

WEATHER....HAZE FORMING BY 2000Z THURSDAY

VISIBILITY.....7-12 MILES BECOMING 5-8 MILES BY 2000Z THURSDAY

TEMPERATURE.....35-40 TONIGHT 58-63 THURSDAY

WINDS....MORTHWESTERLY 18-35 KNOTS DIMINISHING SLOWLY TONIGHT. 1400Z THURSDAY NORTH-WEST TO WEST 8-18 KNOTS BECOMING SOUTH TO SOUTHWEST 7-15 KNOTS BY 1900Z.

TIDES...NEAR NORMAL

ISSUED <u>1300Z</u> 10/31/63 12-HOUR FORECAST REFERENCE: AEROBEE, NIKE-APACHE, NIKE-SMOKE AND HASP CONFIDENCE: 75% CHANCE OF VERIFYING

SYNOPTIC SITUATION.....HIGH PRESSURE CENTERED OVER GEORGIA WITH A RIDGE EXTENDING NORTHWARD TO NEW YORK STATE WILL CONTINUE TO DRIFT EAST AND SOUTHEASTWARD REACHING THE NORTHERN FLORIDA COASTAL AREA BY OLOOZ.

CLOUDINESS....

1300Z 10000-15000 BROKEN 1600Z 3000 SCATTERED 12000 SCATTERED

2200Z 10000 SCATTERED VARIABLE BROKEN

WEATHER....HAZE BY 2000Z

VISIBILITY.....7-10 MILES

TEMPERATURE....58-63 TODAY

SURFACE WIND.....WEST TO SOUTHWEST 8-18 KNOTS BECOMING SOUTHWEST TO SOUTH BY 1900Z

TIDES....NEAR NORMAL

36-HOUR FORECAST ISSUED 1800Z 10/31/63
REFERENCE: NIKE-APACHE, NIKE-SMOKE AND HASP
CONFIDENCE: 75% CHANCE OF VERIFYING FIRST HALF: 70% SECOND HALF

SYNOPTIC SITUATION.....THE HIGH NOW OVER NORTHERN FLORIDA WITH A RIDGE EXTENDING TO SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND WILL MOVE OFF-SHORE TONIGHT. LOW CENTER NOW OVER MISSOURI WILL MOVE NORTHEASTWARD TO THE LOWER ST. LAWRENCE VALLEY BY FRIDAY MORNING AND TO THE GULF OF ST. LAWRENCE BY LATE FRIDAY NIGHT; THE ASSOCIATED COLD FRONT SHOULD PASS WALLOPS ABOUT 0400Z SATURDAY.

CLOUDINESS....

- 1800Z HIGH SCATTERED VARIABLE BROKEN
- 0100Z FRIDAY 10000-15000 SCATTERED VARIABLE BROKEN HIGH BROKEN
- 1000Z FRIDAY 10000 BROKEN HIGH OVERCAST
- 1600Z FRIDAY 3000 SCATTERED 10000 BROKEN HIGH OVERCAST
- 2200Z FRIDAY 3000 SCATTERED 6000-10000 BROKEN HIGH OVERCAST; OCCASIONALLY 2000 BROKEN

WEATHER.....HAZE BY 1000Z, SCATTERED SHOWERS AFTER 2200Z FRIDAY

VISIBILITY.....7-12 MILES BECOMING 5-8 MILES BY 1000Z. OCCASIONALLY 3-5 MILES AFTER 2200Z FRIDAY.

TEMPERATURE.....48-53 TONIGHT 65-70 FRIDAY

WINDS....WEST TO SOUTHWEST 7-15 KNOTS BECOMING SOUTH TO SOUTH-WEST 1000Z AND INCREASING TO 10-20 KNOTS BY 1600Z

TIDES.....NEAR NORMAL